

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Keith, et al. Confirmation No.: 2818  
Serial No.: 10/670,184 Group Art Unit: 1647  
Filed: September 24, 2003 Examiner: Saoud, Christine J.  
For: ANTIBODIES AND COMPOSITIONS TO A RESPIRATORY DISEASE AND  
OBESITY RELATED PROTEIN  
(FORMERLY: NOVEL HUMAN GENE RELATING TO RESPIRATORY DISEASES AND  
OBESITY)

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Official Action dated April 21, 2008, the applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

In addition, the applicants have petitioned for a two (2) month extension of time and paid concurrently herewith the appropriate fee for extending the period of response up to and including September 21, 2008. Under 37 C.F.R. §1.7(a) when the last day to take action falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or Federal holiday within the District of Columbia, the action may be taken on the next succeeding business day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or Federal holiday, *i.e.*, September 22, 2008 without additional extension fees.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.